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SUBJECT: US VISIT OF DEPUTY MINISTER LINGAWI

REF: (A) JIDDA 2644, (B) JIDDA 2756, (C) STATE 97185

1. BYZANTINE ASPECTS OF LINGAWI'S VISIT EQUALLY FRUSTRATING TO US. FIRST, MOHAMED AL SOLEIMAN, ASSISTANT CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ADVISED COMATT THAT LINGAWI VISIT WOULD BE OF PRIVATE NATURE (REFTEL A) AND LATER MINISTER INFERRED ECON OFF OTHERWISE. IN ANY CASE SOLEIMAN STATED THAT LIST OF CONTACTS SHOULD BE PROVIDED SAUDI EMBASSY FOR RETRIEVAL BY LINGAWI. HE REAFFIRMS THIS BUT HOPES FOR NO PUBLICITY.

2. FAILURE OF SAG OFFICIAL TO NOTIFY SAUDI EMBASSY MAY BE CONNECTED WITH PRIVATE NATURE OF VISIT BY LINGAWI. IN ANY CASE FAILURE OF COMMUNICATION IS NOT UNUSUAL AMONG SAG OFFICIALS.

3. IF COMMERCE OR STATE OFFICERS CONTACT SAUDI EMBASSY THEY SHOULD STRESS THAT VISIT IS NOT OFFICIAL. ALL WE CAN ASCERTAIN IS THAT AFTER CONCLUSION EUROPEAN TRIP, LINGAWI WAS SCHEDULED BE IN U.S. ON APRIL 22. PROTOCOL OFFICIAL STATED HE WANTS LIST OF FIRMS SHOWING INTEREST.

4. WE UNDERSTAND FROM U.S. FIRM WHICH TELEPHONED EMBASSY APRIL 24 THAT LINGAWI IS EXPECTED IN WASHINGTON.

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